coal has not approached the Cabinet for permission to close down unviable mines. However, the Department of Mines had approached the Cabinet for budgetary support in order to be able to meet expenses for likely separation of manpower on closing of the unviable copper mines of Hindustan Copper Limited at Surda and Khetri.

Coal washeries in PSUs

†2840. SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH 'LALAN':
SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:

Will the Minister of COAL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that coal washeries are in public sectors in the country;

(b) if so, the washing capacity of all such washeries;

(c) the percentage of the capacity utilised for coal washing during the years 1999, 2000 and 2001; and

(d) the expenditure incurred on coal washing processing per tonne in the each year mentioned above?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL AND MINES (SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD): (a) 19 coal washeries have been set up in CIL to wash coal.

(b) to (d) washery-wise washing capacity, utilisation and coal processing cost per tonne for the years 1999-2000, 2000-2001 and 2001-2002 are as under:

Washery	Capacity	Capacity utilization (%)			Processing cost (Rs./Tonne)		
	(MTY)	99-00	00-01	01-02	99-00	00-01	01-02
Dugda II	2.00	52.95	44.07	32.74	348.00	331.00	447.00
Bhojudih	1.70	80.24	71.79	58.32	252.00	302.00	340.00
Patherdih	1.60	39.94	34.89	23.98	366.00	498.00	629.00
Lodna	0.48	72.50	50.73	35.88	198.00	293.00	346.00
Sudamdih	1.60	53.63	49.93	41.11	324.50	378.00	393.00

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

Washery	Capacity	Capacity utilization (%)			Processing cost (Rs./Tonne)		
	(MTY)	99-00	00-01	01-02	99-00	00-01	01-02
Barora	0.42	75.48	51.40	49.79	273.00	460.00	451.00
Moonidih	1.60	62.56	49.04	46.81	273.00	362.00	421.00
Mohuda	0.63	57.78	53.51	50.68	370.00	426.00	484.00
Madhuban	2.50	18.18	17.35	27.26	825.00	773.00	538.00
Kathara	3.00	38.47	45.40	44.76	377.49	314.55	329.90
Swang	0.75	94.27	104.43	88.11	256.71	235.70	302.26
Rajrappa	3.00	68.83	68.83	53.00	187.11	203.65	268.38
Kdela	2.60	34.73	33.92	28.48	559.81	641.83	656.65
Kargali	2.72	36.58	34.84	28.35	323.73	369.24	430.93
Giddi	2.50	37.64	41.07	32.34	254.64	320.66	403.61
Piparwar	6.50	96.51	86.48	88.63	117.53	145.64	145.88
Bina	4.50	17.81	20.60	19.70	167.55	177.65	173.88
Nandan	1.20	51.58	47.86	42.54	391.75	382.53	485.93
Dugda I*	1.00	72.80	67.3	54.02	—	—	—

* Dugda-I Washery, commissoned in 1961, had outdated its life and was closed on safety point of view. With the increase in demand for washed non-coking coal, a part of the washery is being operated to wash the sink of Dugda-II washery on trial basis.

EEI for eastern and western coasts

2841. SHRI RAVULA CHANDRA SEKAR REDDY:
DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY:

Will the Minister of COAL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has finalised a road map to set up exclusive economic zones along eastern and western coasts with active participation from the private sector;

(b) if so, whether any concrete scheme has been worked out in this regard under which creation of a royalty fund to finance development of infrastructure in coastal areas would be undertaken; and

(c) if so, to what extent legislation in this regard has been successful in achieving this objective?